Clause 1

Clause 1 of the Bill as finally passed seeks to give retrospective operation to the provisions of the Bill from 15th Mithunam 1120. The original intention as announced by His Highness the late Maharaja on the occasion of His birthday was to pay fixed allowances to the non-official members of the Legislative Council from the beginning of the next year. Subsequently however, it was considered more appropriate to give effect to the decision from the date of the announcement, namely, from 29th Vrischigam 1121. The Government Bill was introduced on this basis. But a non-official amendment seeking to give operation to the provisions from 15th Mithunam 1120 was passed by the Legislative Council despite Government opposition. There is no apparent reason to give effect as from a date in the year previous to that in which the announcement was made. The allowance being an annual one it is also appropriate that it takes effect from the beginning of a year. The Bill may therefore provide to take effect from the 1st day of Chingam 1121.

Clause 3

2. The second proviso to section 4 (2) proposed to be inserted by clause 3 of the Bill is intended to enable a non-official member to draw both travelling and daily allowances for the day on which a journey is performed. At present a member is allowed for his railway journey 1½ first class fare. The extra ½ first class fare is intended to cover the other expenses of the day of the journey. It is therefore anomalous to give both daily allowance and the excess ½ first class fare for the same day. The retention of the second proviso may be reconsidered."

DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS

1. Rs. 1,000—under—"6. Co-operative Societies—Printing charges"

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,000—under—"6. Co-operative Societies—Printing charges."

The expenditure under "Printing charges" of the Co-operative Department has increased much as a large number of forms and registers have to be printed after the introduction of the departmental execution of Co-operative decrees from the beginning of 1121. The usual provision of Rs. 880 under "Printing charges" has therefore become insufficient to meet the expenditure under this head. An additional allotment of Rs. 1,000 is therefore, necessary under "6. Co-operative Societies—Printing charges".

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry):* I have to raise a point of order. Generally we are getting this Agenda and the notes of the Standing Finance Committee only 5 days before the announcement of the Council. Last time we got only on Thursday. Therefore there was hardly any time to make any cut motions. In future it may kindly be sent sufficiently early.

Mr. President: Yes. I will see that sufficient notice is given.

Demand put and carried

2. Rs. 57,661—under—"25. Ayurveda—Special Contribution for Rural Development"

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 57,661 under "25. Ayurveda—Special Contribution for Rural Development".

The construction of a building for the Manufacturing Section, R. V. C. A. Hospital is in progress. The total expenditure for the work is estimated at Rs. 75,000. Towards this, a sum of "Rs. 17,339—5—9 available under Special contribution—Ayurveda" has been adjusted. The balance of Rs. 57,660—10—3 (Rs. 57,661) is required for payment this year. An additional allotment of Rs. 57,661 is therefore necessary under "25. Ayurveda—Special Contribution for Rural Development".

Demand put and carried

3. Rs. 3,000—under—"25. Ayurveda—Cost of Medicines"

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 3,000 under "25. Ayurveda—Cost of Medicines".

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The incidence of small-pox is on the increase now. As the anti-small-pox pills prepared by the Ayurveda Department are found to be effective, it is proposed to distribute this medicine on a liberal basis. To meet the expenditure involved in the preparation of the anti-small-pox pills, an additional allotment of Rs. 3,000 is necessary under "25. Ayurveda—Cost of Medicines".

മിസ്റ്റർ ജി. എസ്സ്. ധാരാസിംഗ്: ഇതു് എങ്ങിനെയാണു് വിതരണം ചെയ്യുവാൻ ഉദ്ദേശിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നതു് ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: അതു് ദീനക്കാരുടെ ആവശ്യത്തിനുവേണ്ടിയാണു് കൊടുക്കുന്നതു്. പനി വരാതിരിക്കുവാനായി കൊടുക്കുക എന്നതാണു് അതിന്റെ ഉദ്ദേശം.

മിസ്റ്റർ ജി. എസ്സ്. ധാരാസിംഗ്: ആരു മുഖാന്തിരമാണു് ഇതു് വിതരണംചെയ്യുന്നതു്?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: ഡാക്ടർമുഖാന്തിരം.

മിസ്റ്റർ ജി. എസ്സ്. ധാരാസിംഗ്: ഇതു് വില്ലേജുകളിൽ എങ്ങിനെയാണു് വിതരണം ചെയ്യുന്നതു് ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: പഞ്ചായത്തുകൾ മുഖാന്തിരം.

മിസ്റ്റർ കുമാരനെഴത്തച്ഛൻ: അതാരുമുഖാന്തിരമാണെന്നൊന്നു പറഞ്ഞാൽകൊള്ളാം.

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: ഡാക്ടർമാർമുഖാന്തിരവും പഞ്ചായത്തുമുഖാന്തിരവും മറ്റും കൊടുത്തുവരുന്നുണ്ടു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. ഈച്ചരമേനോൻ: മൻസിപ്പാലിറ്റിവഴികൊടുക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ ഇതു സൌജന്യം?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: ഉവ്വു്.

*Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: Sir, I am sorry my useful cut motion did not reach in time. I take this opportunity to oppose this demand just to inform the Government certain things so that more vigorous, more useful and more helpful work may be done, by them at least in future. Just with regard to an amount of Rs. 3,000 that was placed on the table, on a point of enquiry the Hon'ble Minister had been pleased to tell us that the amount was required for the employment of more vaccinators, one additional Sanitary Inspector and certain other items of expenditure. The House may remember, Sir, that in the February meeting of this House when for the identical purpose of fighting the small-pox epidemic a supplementary demand of a small amount for the employment of 4 additional vaccinators was made, I put it to the Hon'ble Minister to take serious note of the fact that this epidemic in almost virulant form is making ravages in almost all Taluks in the State and that the employment of 4 additional vaccinators is not going to be of any use at all. We will certainly have to employ more vaccinators. Therefore I was exhorting with all the strain at my command to come forward for a supplementary grant of Rs. 400, but for a much bigger amonnt running even into lakhs of rupees so that he may launch himself into an all out campaign. I made an appeal, but he said that this Rs. 400 is quite enough and now from the statement placed on the table for the very identical purpose as much as 29,000 rupees have to be sanctioned. That shows that, what I informed the Hon'ble Minister at that time is not the whole of the truth but a part of the truth and actual experience in the villages clearly indicate that even this Rs. 29,000 sanctioned has not been able to produce the desired effect. That being the nature of this epidemic I even now make an appeal to the Hon'ble Minister—it has not been in a pad spirit; please note I make an appeal in a most helpful spirit to the Ministry now, not only to the personnel of the Minister but on the Ministerial Party to see that the Minister is forced to come out with all his strength, all his party with the co-operation of others in this House to see that this scourge is driven out from Cochin.

This is a proposition which should be viewed with all the seriousness that the question deserves and unless you do so, Sir, and unless your party also rises equally to the occasion and show to the public that the interests and welfare of the public are safe in their hands, I need proceed further. The representatives of the people will show you what the representatives are capable of. I give you this warning not in a bad spirit. We are not interested in seeing that the Ministry is ousted from the place. But we are interested in seeing that they do the work for which they are installed there and they satisfy the demands, and the wishes of the public of Cochin. I oppose this motion in a token manner. Let me have an assurance from the Minister.

*Speech not corrected by the Hon'ble Member.

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Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development):* I have been very much benefitted by my Hon'ble freind's speech on the last occasion. I can assure you that every attempt has been made by the Government to see that this disease will be rooted out as far as possible. This is not a disease which is rampant in Cochin State alone. We find from reports that this disease is rampant all around us, in Travancore as well as in British India and it is very unfortunite that we have got this disease prevalent in Vadakkancheri. It is not this year alone but it is a peculiar feature for the last so many years. That is no excuse. But however I can assure you that Government are trying their level best to see that intensive vaccination is carried on and preventive steps are taken. Since last discussion as I told you, we are trying to appoint as many vaccinators as possible. 23 vaccinators have been sanctioned but we got only 21. A list from the Director of Public Health has been called for as to ascertain the number of qualified vaccinators available in other departments. No more candidates are available excepting the 21 already appointed. It is difficult to get more vaccinators. We have already appointed temporary Sanitary Inspectors. Besides, after the last discussion, we have tried to distribute Ayurvedic pills and Homeopathic treatment is also given in places where small pox virulent. I can inform the House that on account of the various measures adopted, the illness is on the decrease and not on the increase and I can assure the House that every attempt has been made and will be made to see that this scourge is once for all irradicated.

മിസ്റ്റർ ജോസ് കെ. വള്ളിസ്സ്: ഈ ന, ൦ ൦ ൦ ക. ആയുർവ്വേദമരുന്നിന്ന വെച്ചിരിക്കുന്നത് സ്മോൾപാക്സിനോട fight ചെയ്യുന്നതിന്നുള്ള പിൽസു ഉണ്ടാക്കുവാനാണൊ ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: അതെ.

മിസ്റ്റർ ജോസ് കെ. വള്ളിസ്സ്: ആരുവേപ്പിന്റെ ഇലയും കരുമുളകുംകൂടി അരച്ചാണ് ഈ പിൽസുണ്ടാക്കുന്നത്. ന, ൦ ൦ ൦ ക.ക്ക ഈ മാതിരി പിൽസുണ്ടാക്കിയാൽവടക്കാഞ്ചേരിയിൽമാത്രമല്ല രാജ്യത്തുള്ള എല്ലാവക്കും കൊടുക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കും. അതു കൊണ്ടാൽ ഒരൊറ്റ ആൾക്ക മസൂരി ഉണ്ടാകയില്ല. എതാണ്ടു മൂന്ന കോടി ആളുകൾക്ക കൊടുക്കുവാനുണ്ടാകും.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണനെഴത്തശ്ശൻ: ന,൦൦൦ക.യുടെ മരുന്നുണ്ടാക്കിയാൽ ന കോടി ആളുകൾക്ക മതിയാകുമൊ ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: ന, ൦ ൦ ൦ ക.ക്ക് മരുന്നുണ്ടാക്കണമെന്നാണ് ആയുർവ്വേദ സൂപ്രണ്ടിന്റെ റിപ്പോട്ട്. അതനുസരിച്ചാണ് ഈ സംഖ്യ ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടത്.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണനെഴത്തശ്ശൻ: എതാണ്ട് എത്ര ആളുകൾക്ക് കൊടുക്കുവാനുണ്ടാകും ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: തല്ക്കാലം ഇതുകൊണ്ടു ആവശ്യത്തിന്ന മതിയാകുമെന്നാണ് സൂപ്രണ്ടിന്റെ റിപ്പോട്ട്.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണനെഴത്തശ്ശൻ: അയ്യായിരത്തിൽ അധികംപേക്ക കൊടുക്കുവാനുണ്ടാകുമൊ ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: എതാണ്ട് ഒരുലക്ഷത്തിനുമേൽ കൊടുക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കുമെന്നാണ് അറിയുന്നത്.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണനെഴത്തശ്ശൻ: അപ്പോൾ എങ്ങിനെയായാലും ന കോടി ആളുകൾക്ക കൊടുക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കുകയില്ല, അല്ലെ ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ: അതെ.

Demand put and carried

4-under "26-A-2—Rural Sanitation—Prevention of epidemics

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development)*: Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 4,214—under "26-A-2—Rural Sanitation—Prevention of Epidemics."

Plague preventive measures have to be continued in Mattancheri. Alleppey town also is infected with plague. It is therefore necessary to continue the term of the plague preventive staff at Mattancheri and to start two observation stations at Edacochin and Pashnithodu. The expenditure on this account is estimated at Rs. 4,214. There is no provision in the sanctioned allotments in the Public Health Budget. An additional allotment of Rs. 4,214 is necessary under "26-A-2—Rural Sanitation—Preventionof Epidemics." I request the House may be pleased to vote for the grant.

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